

ORDER

FIREARMS USE RESTRICTIONS

USDA - FOREST SERVICE

WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

CLE ELUM RANGER DISTRICT

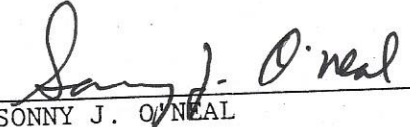
Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (a), the following acts are prohibited in the area listed in Appendix A and shown on attached Exhibit 1 within and/or administered by the Wenatchee National Forest on the CLE ELUM RANGER DISTRICT until rescinded:

- (1) Discharging a firearm, air rifle or gas gun.  
36 CFR 261.58(m).

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50 (e), the following are exempt from this order:

1. Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
2. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
3. Persons involved in legal hunting as described by Washington State and/or Federal laws.

Done at Wenatchee, Washington this 30<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE, 1993.

  
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SONNY J. O'NEAL  
Forest Supervisor  
Wenatchee National Forest

Violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 or imprisonment for not more than six months or both. Title 16 USC, Section 551.

S.O. ORDER # 246

ENFORCEMENT PLAN  
FIREARMS USE RESTRICTIONS  
CLE ELUM RANGER DISTRICT

This enforcement plan pertains to the firearm use restriction in the Cle Elum Ranger District.

This order is written to enhance safety for all employees and visitors of the Wenatchee National Forest. There has been a large increase in the number of people using the National Forest in the areas described in this order. This creates large concentrations of people in confined areas of the Forest. This order will exclude persons from utilizing firearms in areas where shooters may not be aware of large concentrations of people.

This order will be accompanied by a multi-media educational program informing the public of this order and firearm safety rules. The Forest Service will work in conjunction with the State Fish and Game departments hunter safety courses, and local organized shooting clubs to educate the public of this closure and safe places to shoot firearms.

This order will mostly be enforced on an "as observed" system of enforcement.

This order does not exclude the legal hunting of game as described by state and federal law.

All normal entry points into the closure area will be posted with the information indicating these areas are closed to the use of firearms. Maps will be posted detailing the closure areas. All campgrounds within the closure area will be posted with the closure information. All ranger stations and contact points will post the closure information and maps of the closure area. A special news release will be included in the Cle Elum recreation report.

The order will be posted in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51. The order will be placed in the offices of the Forest Supervisor and District Ranger. The order will be displayed in locations and in such a manner as to reasonably bring the prohibition to the attention of the public.

Authorized Forest Officers may, upon observing violations of this Order, take appropriate action to discontinue the activity, including issuing a Violation Notice. Authorized Forest Officers on scene of the activity must use their discretion to determine the level of enforcement necessary to remedy the situation.

## APPENDIX A

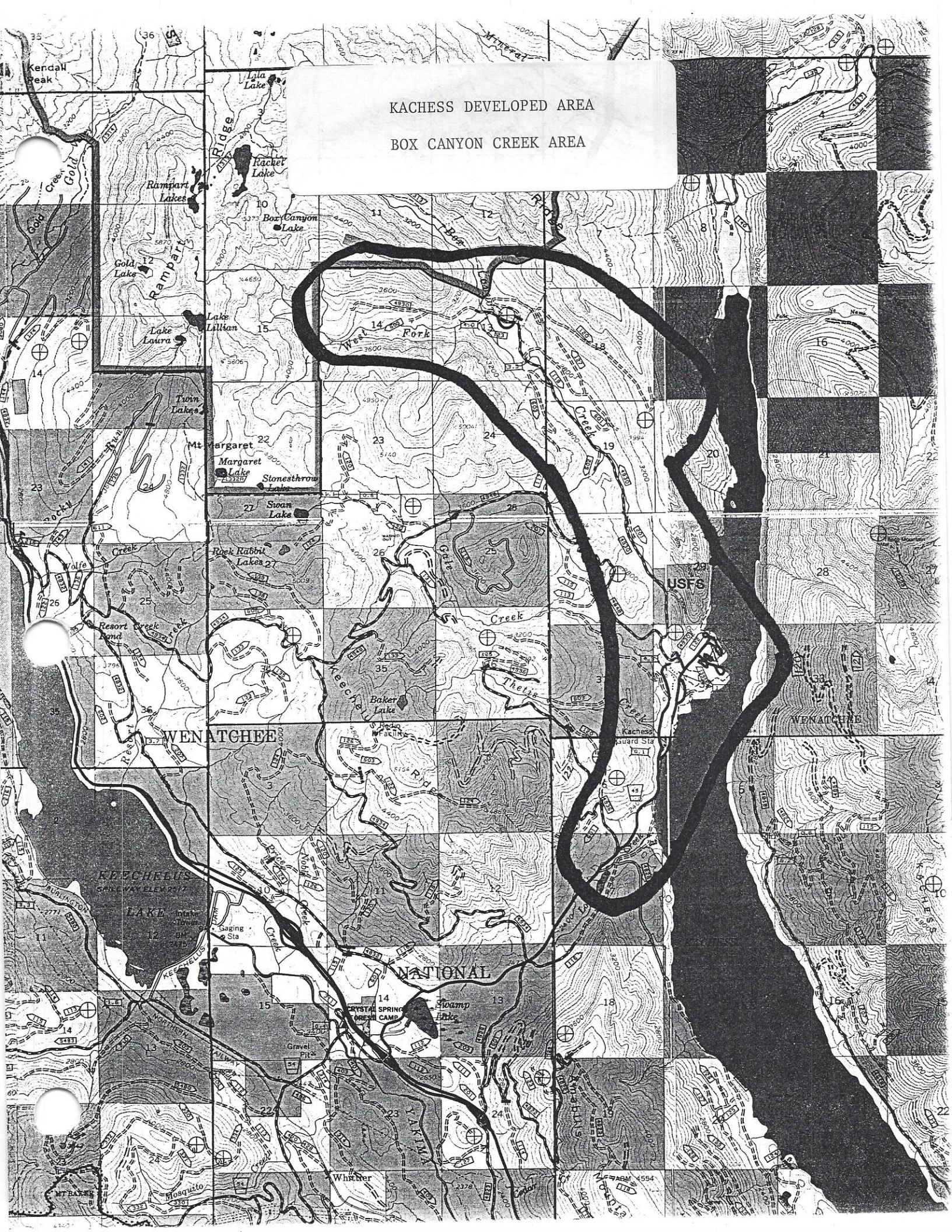
### DESCRIPTION OF AREAS INCLUDED IN THIS ORDER

- 1) Kachess developed area as described; Within 1/2 mile of any part of Road 49 beginning at the junction of Road 49 and Road 4936 to, and including, Kachess campground and developed area.
- 2) Box Canyon Creek area as described; Within 1/2 mile of Road 4930 and Road 4930-120.
- 3) Cle Elum Valley area as described; Within 1/2 mile of Highway 903 from the National Forest Boundary in the vicinity of T.20N., R.14E., Section 2, to and including Salmon La Sac campground and developed area, Road 4316-111 and Road 4600-112.
- 4) Lake Cle Elum and Cle Elum River area as described; Within 1/2 mile of Lake Cle Elum dam and Roads 4309 and 4310.



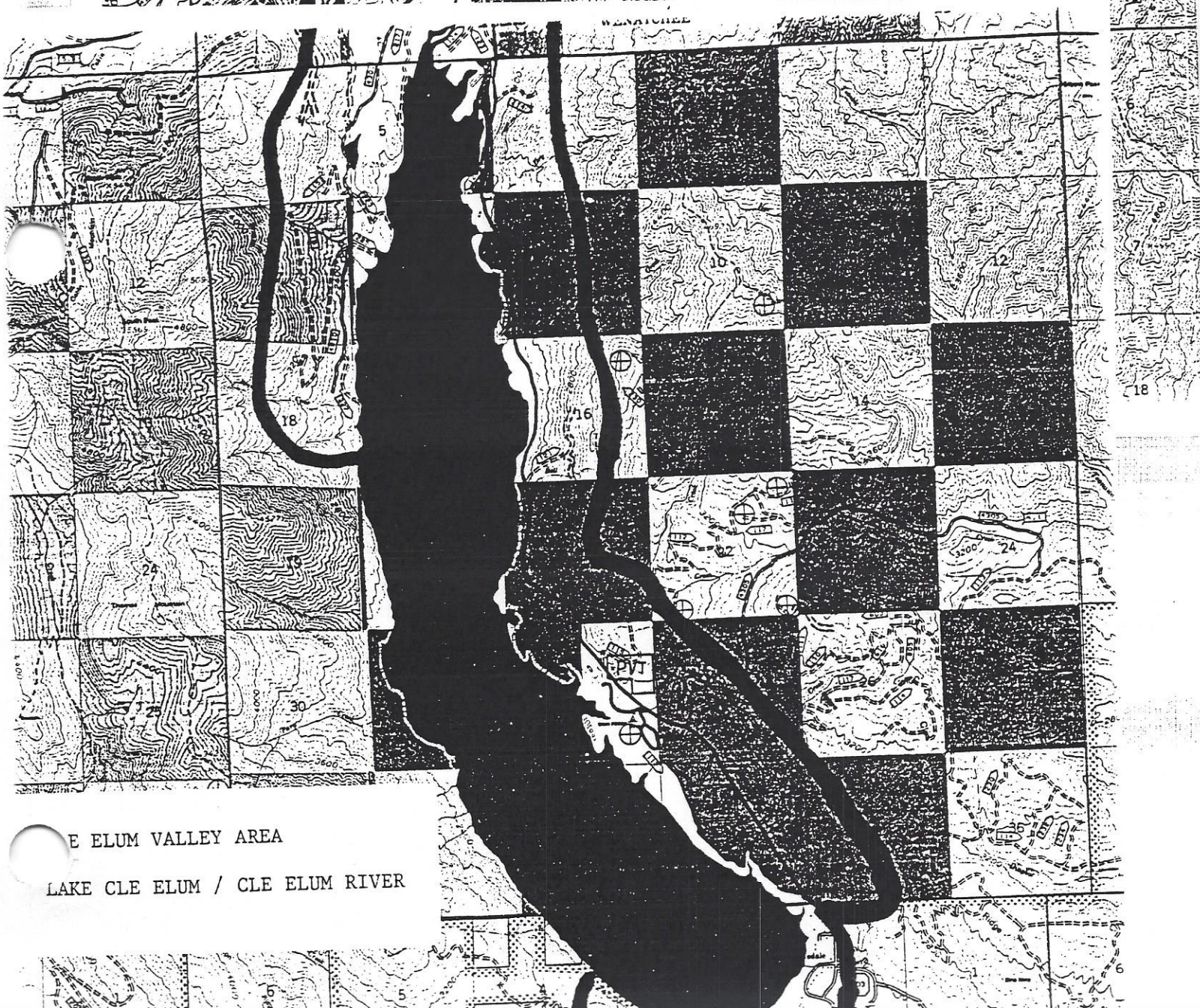
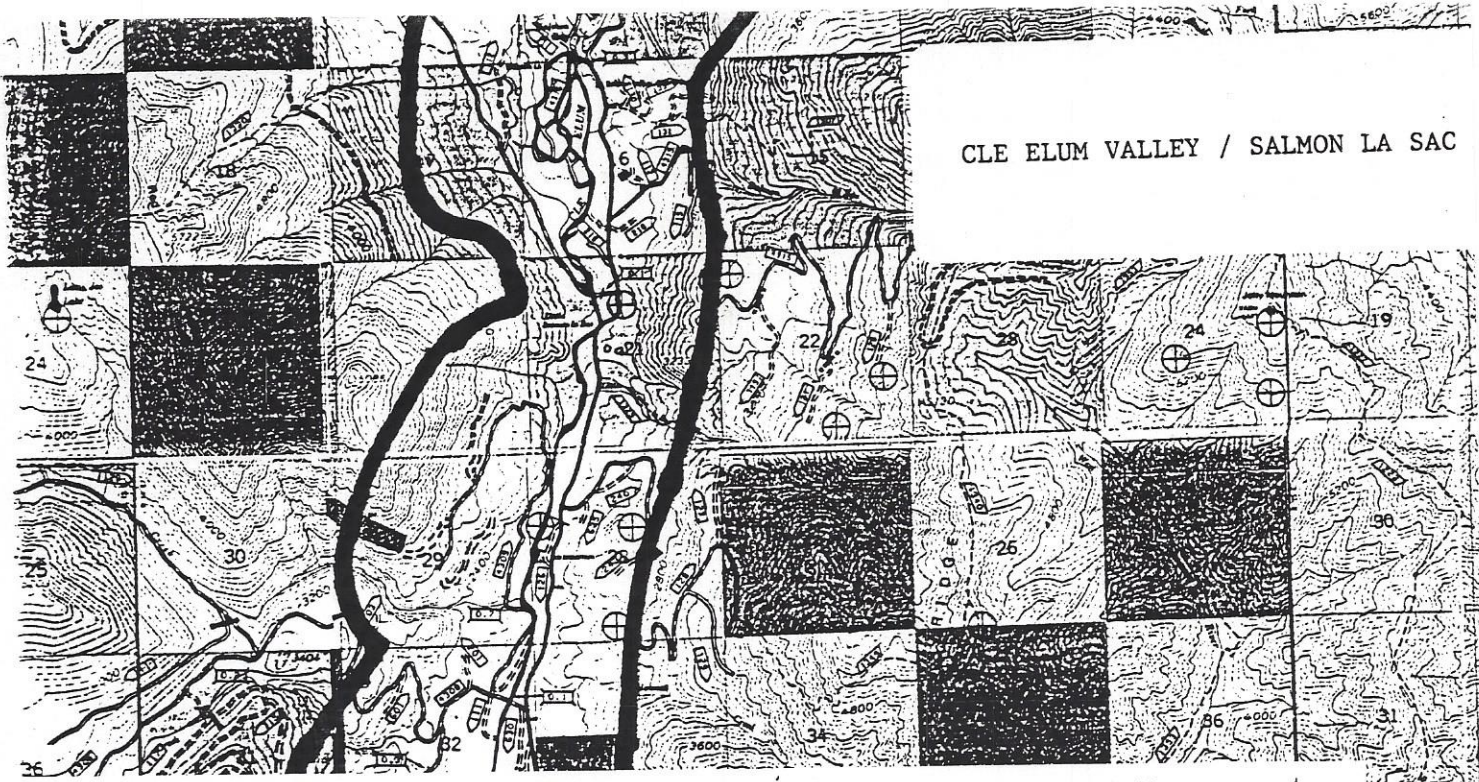
KACHESS DEVELOPED AREA

BOX CANYON CREEK AREA





CLE ELUM VALLEY / SALMON LA SAC



CLE ELUM VALLEY AREA  
LAKE CLE ELUM / CLE ELUM RIVER





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Forest

Cle Elum Ranger District  
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Cle Elum, WA 98922

Reply To: 5300

Date: June 23, 1993

Subject: Firearms Use Restriction

To: Forest Supervisor, Wenatchee National Forest

Enclosed for your review and approval is a proposed closure order to restrict Firearms Use in several high density dispersed recreation areas on the Cle Elum District.

The proposed restrictions apply to the discharge of firearms in areas of high density camping and where we have on-going safety concerns caused by people shooting in and among camp sites. The restrictions would only effect random plinking and target shooting and would not effect any legal hunting described by Washington State or Federal laws.

Plum Creek Timber company is the primary private landowner in the proposed closure areas. Hartwig Vatheuer was contacted and supports the action. The Kittitas County commissioners were notified and support the proposal. The Cascade Field and Stream Club, who manages the only organized shooting range in the upper county, also supports the proposal.

In addition the Field and Stream Club is willing to work with the District to publicize the closure and promote safe use of firearms.

If there are any questions, please contact Larry Int-Hout or Roger Skistad.

(for)   
CATHERINE E. STEPHENSON  
District Ranger

Enclosure:

